

## COVERING PROPERTIES OF INVERSE LIMITS, II

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For an inverse system  $\{X_\alpha, \pi_\beta^\alpha, \Lambda\}$  and its limit  $X$ , let  $\Lambda$  be a directed set its cardinality  $\lambda$ , where  $\lambda \geq \omega$ , and let  $\pi_\alpha$  be the projection from  $X$  into  $X_\alpha$  for each  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ .

**Statement (\*)**. *Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a topological property. Let  $\{X_\alpha, \pi_\beta^\alpha, \Lambda\}$  be an inverse system and  $X$  its inverse limit with each projection  $\pi_\alpha$  being a pseudo-open map. Suppose that  $X$  is  $\lambda$ -paracompact. If each  $X_\alpha$  is  $\mathcal{P}$ , then so is  $X$ .*

Aoki [A] and Chiba [C1] proved that the Statement (\*) holds for  $\mathcal{P}$  being a covering property such as normality, paracompactness, collectionwise normality, subparacompactness, metacompactness, submetacompactness, subnormality and so on.

**Statement (\*\*)**. *Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a topological property. Let  $\{X_\alpha, \pi_\beta^\alpha, \Lambda\}$  be an inverse system and  $X$  its inverse limit. Suppose that  $X$  is hereditarily  $\lambda$ -paracompact. If each  $X_\alpha$  is hereditarily  $\mathcal{P}$ , then so is  $X$ .*

Chiba [C1, C2] also proved that the Statement (\*\*) holds for  $\mathcal{P}$  being the same properties as the above ones.

The purpose of this study is to prove that the Statements (\*) and (\*\*) hold for all main covering properties and all main separation properties. From this point of view, the following three questions have been raised in [C2]:

**Question 1.** Are Statements (\*) and (\*\*) true for  $\mathcal{P}$  being  $\delta\theta$ -refinability?

**Question 2.** Are Statements (\*) and (\*\*) true for  $\mathcal{P}$  being collectionwise  $\delta$ -normality?

**Question 3.** Are Statement (\*) and (\*\*) true for  $\mathcal{P}$  being collectionwise subnormality?

Here, we give a partial answer to Question 1. Moreover, we also give affirmative answers to both Questions 2 and 3.

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